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* * * * Second Scoop! The Gridiron Club, most exclusive collection of newspapermen in the United States, is about to shatter 91 years of sacred tradition.

Each year since 1875, the Gridiron has given a white tie stag dinner in Washington that stag dinner in Washington that has lured presidents and the country's biggest wigs. Satirical songs and skits are performed after dinner by the Gridironers themselves and v.i.p. guests make off the record, humorous speeches.

The dinner for 1967, however, is drastically different. It will take place, though this sounds unlikely, in the Williamsburg Inn, Williamsburg, Va. instead of the Capital.

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What is even more catac-lysmic, WIVES will be invited. For 91 years women had to be content with a repeat of the songs and skits on the afternoon following the dinner; that was their only view of the all-male evening. Now, however, they'll be right there with the boys.

Washington Of course, women are rabid boosters of equal rights for women; still we suspect this is one barrier the women will be sorry to see go. Those Sunday afternoon "repeats" were always exciting, when the women came to see what the men had been up to the night before.